manufacturer. The major reasons are energy conservation, higher operational efficiency, service reliability, easier and reduced maintenance. reduced in-effective and higer availability for traffic use. There is no proposal to import diesel locomotives to replace the type of diesel locomotives being manufactured by CLW.

Construction of foot over-bridge at railway stations

2523. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to construct foot over-bridge at Palnagar, Gobra, Mirzapur, Bankipur, Balarambati, Madhusudanpur, Porabazar, Sabaichandi, Nabagram, Chanchai Halt stations;

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is the number of passengers who travelled from these stations during the last three years, Station-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Provision of foot-over-bridges at different stations is planned on a need-based programme subject to availability of funds. Foot-over-bridges are not available at Belanagar, Gobra, Mirzapur-Bankipur Balarambati, Madhusudanpur, Porabazar, Sibaichandi, Nabgram, Chanchai Halt stations and proposals to provide foot-over-bridges at these stations will be considered for inclusion in Railway's future works programme, subject to availability of funds and comperative needs of other stations.

(c) Stations-wise figures of average number of passengers booked per day during the last three years are indicated beow:—

	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
1. Belanagar .	1030	1260	1289
2. Gobra . .	1124	1244	1288
3. Mirzapur-Bankipur .	1255	1647	1515
4. Balarambati .	1193	1405	1558
5. Madhusundanpur . .	1314	1219	1231
6. Porabazar .	577	876	664
7. Sibaichandi .	766	949	1049
8. Nabagram .	392	463	485
9. Chanchai Halt	152	175	200

Making Kanchanjunga Express and Tista Brahmaputra Express as Daily Trains

2524. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to run 57/58 Kanchanjunga Express and 67/68 Tista-Brahmaputra Express as daily trains;

(b) if so, by when stating the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) 57/58 Howrah-New Jalpaiguri Kanchanjunga Express and 67/68 New Jalpaiguri-New Bongaigaon Tista-Brahmaputra Express have been merged to run as a daily service between Howrah and Guwahati since 1-5-1988.

(c) Does not arise.

Stoppage of Avadh-Assam Express at Falakata

2525. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the basis forgranting stoppage of trains at different stations; and

(b) what are the reasons for not granting stoppage of 509/510 Avadh-Assam Express at Falakata?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Number of trains aready stopping vis-a-vis the traffic level, traffic requirements, convenience of timings and operational feasibility.

(b) 2 pairs of Mail/Express and one pair of passenger trains are adequately serving the present level of traffic.

Opening of Health Centres in the Country

2526. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of health centres opened during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether Government are giving any assistance to the State Governments for this purpose;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Statements showing the number of sub-centres, primary health centres and community health centres opened in rural areas during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise according to information provided by States are at Statements IA, IB, IC and II [*See* Appendix CXLVII, Annexure No. 110].

(b) to (d) The establishment of primary health centres and community health centres is under the State Sector Minimum Needs Programme, funds for which are allocated by Planning Commission directly under the State Plans. The scheme of establishment of sub-centres is 100 per cent Centrally Sponsored under Family Welfare Programme since 1-4-1981. Full assistance export construction of building of sub-centre and salary of malo Multi-propose worker, as per prescribed pattern of assistance of Government of India is provided to the State for establishment of sub-centres. The pattern of assistance is given in the attached Statement-II [*See* Appendix CXLVII, Annexure No. 110].

Electricity at Porabazar and Foot over-bridge at Nimo Halt Stations

2527. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state: what are the details of steps taken so far to provide electricity at Porabazar and a foot over-bridge at Nimo Halt Station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): Porabazar Railway Station has been provided with electricity with effect from 10th January, 1988 and provision of foot over-bridge and electrification thereof at Nimo Halt Station has been included in the Works Programme of 1988-89 and is expected to be completed by 1989.

Implementation of National Mission in Immunisation in Orissa

2528. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 113 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd August, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the names of State in which National Mission on immunisation has been introduced;

(b) whether it has been introduced in Orissa also; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the areas covered there under so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Immunisation Mission is being implemented in all the States/UTs in the country.